

May 9, 2003

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Chief, Marketing Programs Branch,
Room 2638-S; Livestock and Seed Program
Agricultural Marketing Service
USDA; STOP-0251
1400 Independence Avenue, SW.;
Washington, DC 20250-0251.

Docket No. LS-02-15.

Dear Sir:

I am providing comments as an individual involved in the production of seedstock swine, county Fair Swine Youth Show Superintendent for the Tama County Fair which is located in Gladbrook Iowa.

Just like all pork producers seedstock swine producers have checkoff responsibilities. As a result of the structure of many operations often several producers may be involved in one operation however only one entity may be listed as the checkoff remitter. This may be the case where several family members are producing seedstock under one farm name. In another common situation it is very typical that someone may be multiplying animals for someone else and assessment included with another seedstock producer's remittance.

Please consider these situations as you are determining the number of participants in the referendum survey.

Sincerely,
Nelda Christian, President
Iowa Purebred Swine Council